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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the attorney  
2 general to prosecute certain offenses.

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

4 SECTION 1. Article IV, Texas Constitution, is amended by  
5 adding Section 22a to read as follows:

6 Sec. 22a. (a) To the extent provided by general law, the  
7 attorney general may represent the state in the district and  
8 inferior courts in the prosecution of criminal offenses related to  
9 consumer protection, fraud, insurance, and the financial industry.

10 (b) Where a district or county attorney and the attorney  
11 general have concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute a criminal  
12 offense, the legislature may provide by general law which attorney  
13 may prosecute the offense.

14 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
15 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2005.  
16 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the  
17 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the  
18 attorney general to prosecute offenses related to consumer  
19 protection, fraud, insurance, and the financial industry."